



RITE OF ORDINATION OF

Deacons for the Archdiocese of Detroit

Celebrated by Archbishop Edward J. Weisenburger

Saturday, October 3, 2026 | 10 a.m.

The Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Guidelines for the Reception of Communion

For Catholics

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For our fellow Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to this celebration of the Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (Jn 17:21).

Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life, and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of canon law (canon 844 § 4). Members of the Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East, and the Polish National Catholic Church are urged to respect the discipline of their own Churches. According to Roman Catholic discipline, the Code of Canon Law does not object to the reception of communion by Christians of these Churches (canon 844 § 3).

For those not receiving Holy Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

For non-Christians

We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and the unity of the human family.

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

with the

Rite of the Ordination of Deacons

October 3, 2026 - 10:00 am

Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Candidates to be Ordained:

Mr. Kurt Krueger

Mr. Jeffrey Ostrowski

Mr. Ronald Potemski

Mr. James Pryce

Liturgical Ministers

DEACON OF THE MASS BEFORE ORDINATION: Deacon Mike Van Dyke

DEACON OF THE WORD BEFORE ORDINATION: Deacon Russ Ortisi

DEACON OF THE MASS AFTER ORDINATION: Deacon Kurt Krueger

DEACON OF THE WORD AFTER ORDINATION: Deacon Ronald Potempski

DEACON PROVIDING THANKSGIVING ADDRESS: Deacon James Pryce

ORDAINING PRELATE

His Excellency, Archbishop Edward J. Weisenburger
Archbishop of Detroit

NOTARY: Deacon Marc Gemellaro

LECTORS

1st Reading: Marie Potempski

2nd Reading: Mary Krueger

GIFT BEARERS: Ostrowski and Pryce families

SERVERS AND USHERS: Diaconate Candidates

VESTING CLERGY

Kurt Krueger: Fr. Stan Tokarski and Deacon Bob Ervin

Jeffrey Ostrowski: Fr. Dave Tomaszynski and Deacon Bob Calleja

Ronald Potempski: Fr. Juraj Nuota and Deacon Tom Houle

James Pryce: Fr. Richard Cassidy and Deacon Dave Fleming

PRELUDE

Serdeczna Matko Stainless the Maiden trad. Polish, R. Proulx

INTRODUCTORY RITES

PROCESSIONAL

All Creatures of Our God and King

arr. J. Rutter



1. All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voic - es,
2. Great rush - ing winds who are so strong, You clouds a - bove that
3. Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, Make mu - sic for your
4. Dear moth - er earth, who day by day Un - folds your bless-ings
5. And e - ven you, most gen - tle death, Wait - ing to hush our
6. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And wor-ship him in



1. let us sing: Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing sun with
2. sail a - long, O _ praise him! Al-le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing morn, with
3. Lord to hear, Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Fire so in - tense and
4. on our way, O _ praise him! Al-le - lu - ia! All flow'rs and fruits that
5. fi - nal breath, O _ praise him! Al-le - lu - ia! You lead back home the
6. hum-ble - ness, O _ praise him! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise God the Fa - ther,



1. gold - en beams, Soft sil - ver moon that gent - ly gleams, O praise him!
2. praise re - joice, Stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice, O praise him!
3. fierce - ly bright, Who gives to us both warmth and light, O praise him!
4. in you grow, Let them his glo - ry al - so show: O praise him!
5. child of God, For Christ our Lord that way has trod: O praise him!
6. praise the Son, And praise the Spir - it, Three in One: O praise him!



O praise him! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

KYRIE

15th-16th century

Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son.

Chri - ste e - lé - i - son.

Ký - ri - e e - lé - i - son.

GLORIA

A New Mass for Congregations

All:
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good
will. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we
glo-ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,
Lord God, heav'n-ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.

Choir (Congr. ad lib):

Lord Je-sus Christ, On - ly Be-got - ten Son, Lord God,
 Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the
 sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you
 take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our
 prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the
 Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.

All:
 For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 1:4-9

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18

Our bless-ing - cup is a com - mun-ion with the

Last time

Blood of Christ. Our

SECOND READING

Acts 6:1-7a

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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GOSPEL

Matthew 20:25-28

RITE OF ORDINATION

ELECTION OF THE CANDIDATES

NOTARY Let those to be ordained Deacons come forward.

As the name of each candidate is called, he approaches the Archbishop and makes a sign of reverence. When candidates are in their places before the Archbishop, the Priest or Deacon designated by the Archbishop says:

NOTARY Most Reverend Father, holy Mother Church asks you to ordain these men, our brothers, to the responsibility of the Diaconate.

ARCHBISHOP Do you know them to be worthy?

NOTARY After inquiry among the Christian people and upon the recommendation of those responsible, I testify that they have been found worthy.

ARCHBISHOP Relying on the help of the Lord God and our Savior Jesus Christ, we choose these our brothers for the Order of the Diaconate.

ALL **Thanks be to God.**

HOMILY His Excellency, Archbishop Edward J. Weisenburger

THE PROMISE OF THE ELECT

*After the Homily, the elect alone rise
and stand before the Archbishop, who questions them.*

ARCHBISHOP Dear sons, before you proceed to the Order of the Diaconate, you must declare before the people your resolve to undertake this office.
Do you resolve to be consecrated for the ministry of the Church through the laying on of my hands and the gift of the Holy Spirit?

ELECT I do.

ARCHBISHOP Do you resolve to discharge with humble charity the office of the Diaconate, so as to assist the priestly Order and to benefit the Christian people?

ELECT I do.

ARCHBISHOP Do you resolve to hold fast to the mystery of faith with a clear conscience, as the Apostle says, and to proclaim this faith by word and deed according to the Gospel and the Church's tradition?

ELECT I do.

ARCHBISHOP Do all of you resolve to guard and increase the spirit of prayer proper to your way of life and, in keeping with this spirit and the circumstances of your life, to celebrate faithfully the Liturgy of the Hours, with and for the People of God and indeed for the whole world?

ELECT I do.

ARCHBISHOP Do you resolve to conform your manner of life always to the example of Christ, whose Body and Blood you will handle at the altar?

ELECT I do, with the help of God.

ARCHBISHOP Do you promise respect and obedience to me and my successors?

ELECT I do.

ARCHBISHOP May God, who has begun the good work in you, bring it to fulfillment.

LITANY OF SUPPLICATION

All stand.

ARCHBISHOP Let us pray, dearly beloved, that God the almighty Father will, in his mercy, pour out the grace of his blessing on these his servants, whom he pleased to receive into the Sacred Order of the Diaconate.

DEACON Let us kneel.

(the elect prostrate themselves and the Litany is sung)

The musical notation is presented on two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor:' and the second staff is labeled 'All:'. Both staves begin with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody consists of a series of quarter notes, with a slur over the first three notes of each phrase. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating where the notes are held over multiple words.

Lord, have mer - cy.	Lord, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy.	Christ, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy.	Lord, have mer - cy.

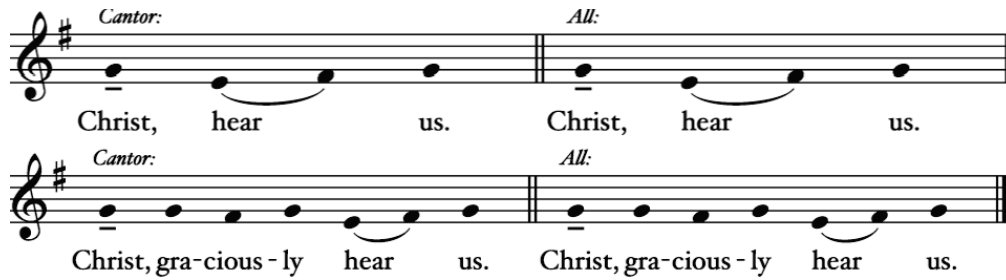
<i>Cantor:</i>	<i>All:</i>
Holy Mary, Mother of	God, pray for us.
Saint	Mich - ael, pray for us.
Holy Angels of	God, pray for us.
Saint John the	Bap - tist, pray for us.
Saint	Jo - seph, pray for us.
.....	pray for us.
All holy men and women, Saints of God,	pray for us.

<i>Cantor:</i>	<i>All:</i>
Lord, be mer - ci - ful,	Lord, de - li - ver us, we pray.
From all e - vil,	Lord, de - li - ver us, we pray.
From ev - 'ry sin,	Lord, de - li - ver us, we pray.
From e - ver - last - ing death,	Lord, de - li - ver us, we pray.

<i>Cantor:</i>	<i>All:</i>
By your in - car - na - tion,	Lord, de - li - ver us, we pray.
By your Death and Res - ur - rec - tion,	Lord, de - li - ver us, we pray.
By the outpouring of the Ho - ly Spi - rit,	Lord, de - li - ver us, we pray.

<i>Cantor:</i>	
Be merciful to	us sin - ners,
Govern and protect	your ho - ly Church,
Keep the pope and all the ordained in faithful ser-vice	to your Church,
Bless	these cho - sen men,
Bless and sanctify	these cho - sen men,
Bless, sanctify, and consecrate	these cho - sen men,
Bring all peoples together in peace and	true har - mo - ny,
Comfort with your mercy the troubled and the	af - flict - ed,
Strengthen all of us and keep us in your ho - ly	ser - vice,
Jesus, Son of	the liv - ing God,

<i>All:</i>
Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.



ARCHBISHOP

Lord God, mercifully hear our prayers,
and kindly accompany with your help what
we are about to do by virtue of our office;
sanctify with your blessing
those whom, in our judgement, we believe
worthy to be offered
for the exercise of sacred inistries.
Through Christ our Lord.

ALL

Amen.

DEACON

Let us stand.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

*The elect rise. One by one they go to the Archbishop.
The Archbishop lays his hands upon the head of each of them.*

PRAYER OF ORDINATION

*With the elect kneeling before him, the Archbishop, with hands
outstretched, sings or says the Prayer of Ordination.*

ARCHBISHOP

Draw near, we pray, almighty God,
giver of every grace,
who apportion every order and assign every
office. While remaining unchanged, you make
all things new and, setting all things in order with
everlasting providence,
you make due provision for every age,
through you Word, your Power, and your
Wisdom, Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
You grant that your Church, his
Body, adorned with manifold heavenly graces,
drawn together in the diversity of her members,
and united by a wondrous bond through the
Holy Spirit, should grow and spread forth
to build up a new temple.
As once you chose the sons
of Levi to minister in the former tabernacle,
so now you establish three ranks of
ministers in their sacred offices to
serve in your name. Thus, in the first
days of your Church, your Son's
Apostles, led by the Holy Spirit,
appointed seven men of good repute
to help them in the daily ministry,
so that they might devote themselves
more fully to prayer and the preaching of the word.
By prayer and the laying on
of hands they entrusted to
these chosen men the ministry of serving at table.

Look favorable also on these your
servants, we pray, O Lord,
whom we humbly dedicate to serve at your holy
altars in the office of the Diaconate.

SEND FORTH THE HOLY SPIRIT UPON THEM
O LORD, WE PRAY,
THAT THEY MAY BE STRENGTHENED BY THE GIFT
OF YOUR SEVENFOLD GRACE TO CARRY OUT FAITHFULLY THE
WORK OF THE MINISTRY.

May every evangelical virtue abound in them: unfeigned love,
concern for the sick and the poor, unassuming authority,
the purity of innocence,
and the observance of spiritual discipline.
May your precepts shine forth in their conduct, that by the
example of their manner of life
they may inspire the imitation of your holy
people. In offering the witness of a good conscience,
may they remain firm and steadfast in
Christ, so that, imitating your Son on earth,
who came not to be served but to serve,
they may be found worthy to reign with him in heaven.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Investiture

Prayer of Saint Francis

Choir

HANDING ON OF THE BOOK OF THE GOSPELS

*The newly ordained Deacons go to the Archbishop and kneel before him. He
places the Book of the Gospel in the hands of each Deacon and says:*

ARCHBISHOP:

Recieve the Gospel of Christ, whose herald you have
become. Believe what you read, teach what you believe,
and practice what you teach.

Fraternal Kiss

The Servant Song, Richard Galliard (choir)

Spanish translation: Georgina Pando-Connolly

1. Will you let me be your servant,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too.

2. We are pilgrims on a journey,
We are trav'lers on the road;
We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.

3. I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the peace you long to hear.

4. I will weep when you are weeping;
When you laugh I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
'Til we've seen this journey through.

5. When we sing to God in heaven
We shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony.

6. Will you let me be your servant,
Let me be as Christ to you;
Pray that I may have the grace to
Let you be my servant, too.

1. ¿Me permites ser tu siervo,
ser como Cristo para ti?
Ruego que Dios me dé la gracia
de ser tu siervo a ti también.

2. Somos peregrinos en la ruta,
compañeros en el gran viajar;
estamos aquí para ayudarnos,
a andar la milla y la cruz llevar.

3. Traeré la luz de Cristo a ti
en la oscuridad de tu temor;
extenderé mi mano hacia ti,
dando la paz que anhelas oír.

4. Lloraré cuando tú estés llorando,
cuando rías, reiré contigo bien;
compartiré tu gozo y tristeza
hasta que el viaje acabe al fin.

5. Cuando cantemos a Dios en el
cielo,
hallaremos gran armonía,
fruto de lo que juntos vivimos
del amor y la cruz de Cristo.

6. ¿Me permites ser tu siervo,
ser como Cristo para ti?
Ruego que Dios me dé la gracia
de ser tu siervo a ti también.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY

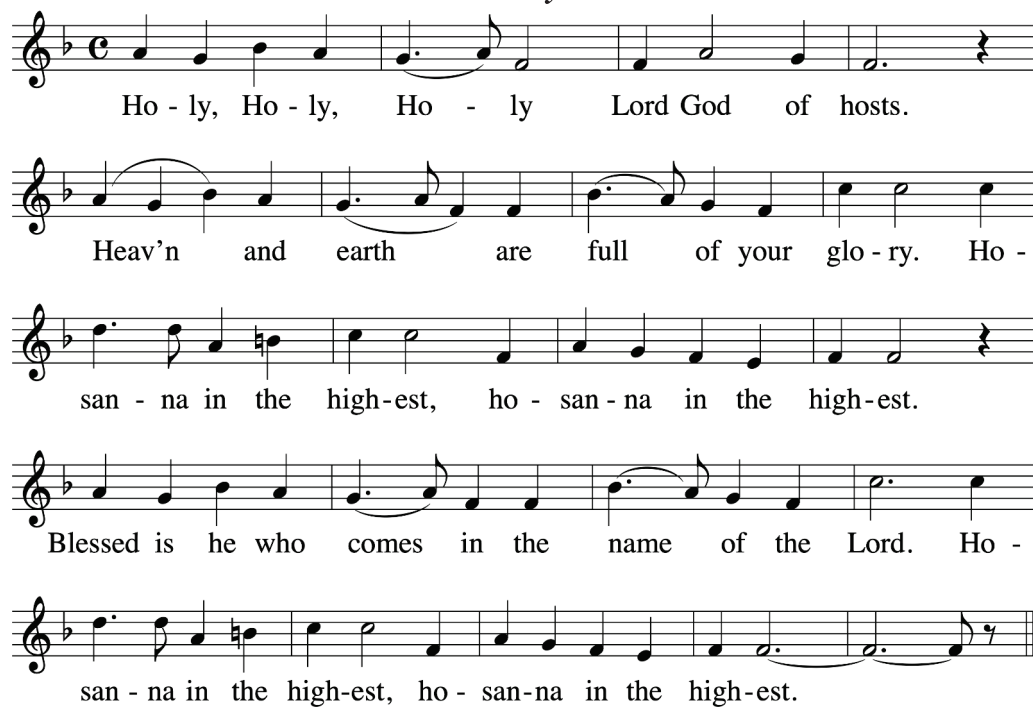
Ave Maria choir

Franz Biebl

SANCTUS

A Community Mass

Richard Proulx

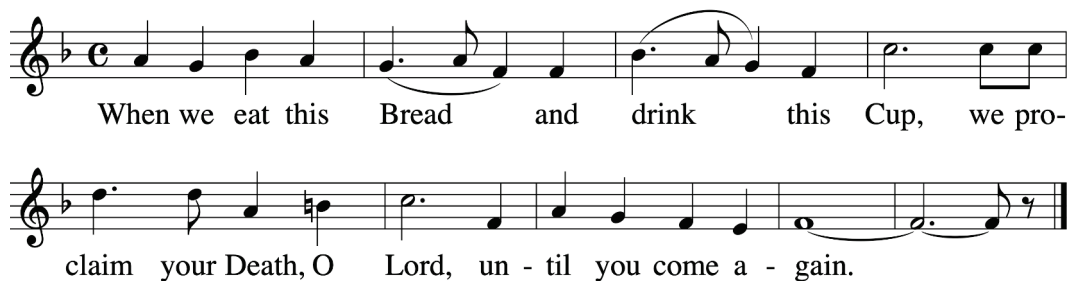


Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san - na in the high-est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the high-est.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

A Community Mass

Richard Proulx



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-
claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

AMEN



AGNUS DEI

CORDERO DE DIOS

Misa Melódica
Alejandro Mejía

Cor - de - ro de Dios, que qui - tas el pe - ca - do del
mun - do, ten pie - dad de no - so - tros, ten pie -
dad de no - so - tros. **Final** mun - do, da - nos la paz,
da - nos la paz. Da - nos, da - nos, da - nos la
paz; da - nos, da - nos, da - nos la paz.

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COMMUNION ANTIPHON

May we always serve one another.

COMMUNION HYMNS *Pan de Vida and Taste and See*

Refrain

*Pan de Vi - da, cuer-po del Se - ñor,
cup of bless - ing, blood of Christ the Lord.
At this ta - ble the last shall be first, **po -
der es ser - vir, por-que Dios es a - mor.

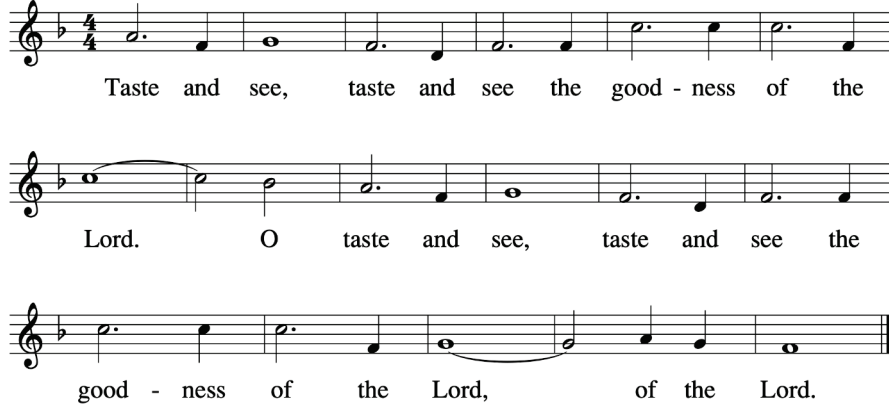
Verses

1. ♯ We are the dwell-ing of God,
***2. Us - te - des me lla - man "Se - ñor", me in -
3. ♯ There is no Jew or Greek,
fra - gile and wound-ed and weak. We are the
cli - no a la - var - les los pies. Ha - gan lo
there is no slave or free; there is no
bod - y of Christ, called to be the com -
mis - mo, hu - mil - des, sir - vién - do - se
wom-an or man; on - ly heirs of the
pas - sion of God. D.C.
u - nos a o - tros.
prom - ise of God.

*Bread of Life, body of the Lord, **power is for service, because God is Love.

***You call me "Lord," and I bow to wash your feet:
you must do the same, humbly serving each other.

Refrain



Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness of the

Lord. O taste and see, taste and see the

good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Verses



1. I will bless the Lord at all times.
2. Glo - ri - fy the Lord with me.
3. Wor - ship the Lord, all you peo - ple.

Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;
To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.
You'll want for noth - ing if you ask.

my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord
I called the Lord who an - swered me;
7 Taste and see that the Lord is good;

for God has been so good to me.
from all my troub - les I was set free.
in God we need put all our trust.

D.C.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Lord I Need You

Matt Maher, Daniel Carson, Christy Nockels,
Jesse Reeves, and Kristian Stanfill

Verse 1



1. Lord, I come, I con-fess. Bow-ing here, I find my rest. And with-out



1. you, I fall a - part. You're the one that guides my heart.

Refrain I



Lord, I need you, oh, I need you. Ev - ery hour I need you. My



one de-fense, my righ-teous-ness; oh, God, how I need you.

Verse 2



2. Where sin runs deep, your grace is more. Where grace is

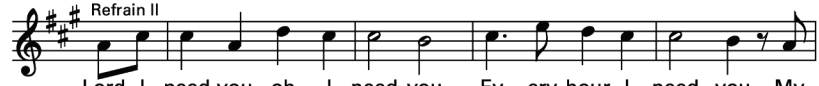


2. found is where you are. And where you are, Lord, I am

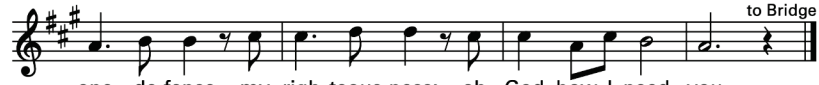


2. free. Ho - li - ness is Christ in me.

Refrain II



Lord, I need you, oh, I need you. Ev - ery hour I need you. My



one de-fense, my righ-teous-ness; oh, God, how I need you.

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to you
when temptation comes my way.

And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you.
Jesus, you're my hope and stay. **(to Refrain II)**

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EPISCOPAL BLESSING

The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

Blessed be the name of the Lord.

R. Now and forever.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who made heaven and earth.

May almighty God bless you,

✠ the Father, ✠ and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

RECESSIONAL

Love Divine All Loves Excelling

Trotta



1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er; Let us all your
3. Fin - ish then your new cre - a - tion, Pure and spot - less,
4. Go in peace to serve the Sa - vior, Guid - ed by the



1. earth come down! Fix in us your hum - ble dwell - ing; All your
2. life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er, Nev - er -
3. gra - cious Lord; Let us see your great sal - va - tion Per - fect -
4. Spi - rit's flame; Hands out - stretched in hum - ble la - bor, Blessing



1. faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, source of all com - pas - sion,
2. more your tem - ples leave. Lord, we would be al - ways bless - ing,
3. ly in you re - stored. Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,
4. all in Je - sus' name. Called to care for flock and stran - ger



1. Love un - bound - ed, love all pure; Vis - it us with
2. Serve you as your hosts a - bove, Pray, and praise you
3. Till in heav'n we take our place, Till we sing be -
4. Wit - ness to the truth and grace; Lead us forth through



1. your sal - va - tion, Let your love in us en - dure.
2. with - out — ceas - ing, Glo - ry in your pre - cious love.
3. fore the al - might - y, Lost in won - der, love and praise.
4. joy and dan - ger, Till we see Him face to face.

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